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COMMUNICATION AND STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

This Communication is in response to an Interview Summary mailed on April 11, 2008. The Interview Summary states that a statement of the substance of the interview is due one month or thirty days from the date of the interview (March 21, 2008) or one month or thirty days from the mail date of the Interview Summary (April 11, 2008), whichever is later. Accordingly, this statement is due on May 11, 2008, and is timely filed.

REMARKS

Provided herein is Applicant's Statement of the Substance of the Interview held March 21, 2008 with Examiner Holleran.

Applicants' representative Jie Zhou (the undersigned) called Examiner Anne L. Holleran regarding the status of the present application. Examiner Holleran left a voice mail message for Jie Zhou, indicating that prosecution of the present application is closed and that the agreed upon claims are allowable. Examiner Holleran further noted in the message that the delay in receiving a Notice of Allowability was due to internal Office procedures and the Notice of Allowability might be mailed out soon.

Applicants respectfully note that a Petition and fee for a five-month extension of time is filed herewith to extend the deadline for filing the Appeal Brief to May 11, 2008. Since Applicants' representative Jie Zhou requested an extension of time for two months on February 4, 2008 and authorized the Director to charge Deposit Account No. 03-1952 the required fee of \$230.00 for this extension, this \$230 payment is deducted from the fee for the five-month extension.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. **415072002300**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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